

In reponse to your letter dated September 15 regarding the July Monthly Report (6/1/06-6/30/06) please note that the Committee will file an amendment today to include the partnership attributions for HJG LLC and Goal Financial LLC both of which report themselves to be unincorporated partnerships and not corporations. A partnership attribution for Pepper Hamilton LLP has also been included. The aggregate for the Overseas Shipholding Group Inc PAC has been corrected. The Primary designations on the in-kinds given after the primary date have been changed to reflect the fact that they are general election in-kind donations. This was a result of data entry errors. The payee for the in-kinds listed has been included to show memo entries on Schedule B supporting line 21(b). The calendar year to date for CA-50 Special election has been changed.

Regarding the excessive contributions from Mr. Obal and the Prairie Island Tribal Council please note that Mr. Obal was refunded \$25,000 in July and that refund was reported on the August Monthly Report. Mr. Obal gave a check for \$25,000 and within 3 days gave a different person a credit card contribution. Since the two do not work on the same programs, it was not discovered until the July Monthly Report was being checked for aggregate issues. The Tribal Council issue was one of two records for one donor. The Tribe was correctly entered as an individual but not makred as a tribe and so it was not detected when the second contribution came in and was correctly identified. A refund of \$8,300 was written and sent to the Tribe. A copy of that check will be hand delivered to the Commission today.

Regarding the three in-kinds given prior to the primary election and designated to the general election, please note that all three of these in-kinds were for service directly related to the general election. The blast fax was for a general election event, the satellite feed was regarding general election issues and events and the media production was for general election advertising therefore the designation was correct.

You have stated that the Committee made coordinated expenditures to the same candidated for whom independent expenditures where made. The Committee has established a seperate Independent Expenditures unit that operates outside the NRCC building and has no contact with campaigns or the campaign staff of the NRCC. The Committee follows all Commission guidelines regarding independent expenditures and seperation within the Committee. The Committee even runs seperate surveys for the independent expenditures unit to avoid any shared information.

Please contact me if you have any additional questions. Thank you.
